

SENATE BILL 3159

By Tracy

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49,
relative to charter schools.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-104(8), is amended by adding the following language immediately after the second sentence of the subdivision:

“Underutilized or vacant property” includes any building or facility that houses a school in which the total number of students enrolled is less than fifty percent (50%) of the school’s enrollment capacity.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-13-136(c), is amended by adding the following as a new subdivision:

(3) A public charter school may request the comptroller of the treasury to conduct a review of an LEA’s catalog of underutilized and vacant properties for accuracy and completeness.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect July 1, 2012, the public welfare requiring it.